



Call for Papers | International Workshop

## Latin America and International Organizations: Exchanges, experts, and state practices

*November 14th - 15th, 2024*



The multifaceted role that international organizations have had and continue to have in structuring global governance regimes on various issues constitutes a significant object of discussion for historiography and the social sciences in general in the last two decades. Many works have researched the sinuous path that led to the construction of spaces that produced "the international" as a beacon that allowed national particularities to be reconciled. This has sparked a large and well-known debate between realistic and idealistic interpretations of the performance of international organizations. Faced with these positions, more recent approaches have chosen to investigate such spaces according to the different actors (individual or collective) that comprise them and the ways in which their trajectories, itineraries, and networks shape the internationality and/or globality of the contents that the organizations promote, as well as their actions.

Another dimension of the discussion lies in the impact that the decisions and consensuses promoted at the international/global level have had on the countries that constitute such organizations. Beyond the ratification of conventions, agreements, or treaties within each organization's arena, their implementation in public policies and government plans is challenging without reducing the scale of analysis to national, regional, or local cases.



In this regard, this Workshop aims to bring together works that interrogate, from different theoretical and methodological perspectives, the effect that the actions of international organizations of different types have had in Latin America during the second half of the 20th century and up to the present. It seeks to discuss alternative ways of historicizing the synergy generated between the achievement of international agreements, their modes of circulation, the role that experts in various subjects have played, as well as their capacity to influence the development of public policies. The call is also interested in disseminating specific knowledge in a broad spectrum of areas such as health, economy, commerce, work, social security, defense, education, childhood, housing, among others. However, a central axis of the debate will reside in analyzing the receptions and resignifications that these knowledges and agreements adopted at the local level, along with the practices and mechanisms deployed by those who promoted their implementation.

Contributions may be oriented around the following topics:

- Theoretical and methodological challenges for addressing the relationship between international organizations and the structuring of local public policies.
- The circulation of expert knowledge and the formation of transnational epistemic communities.
- The forms of connection between local actors and specialized international organizations.
- The processes of import, translation, and reception of policies, debates, and knowledge promoted internationally.
- Case studies focusing on transnational and global networks, actors, and initiatives.



### **Modalities of Participation:**

The Workshop is conceived to be held virtually to facilitate the participation of international colleagues. Once the abstracts have been received, the organizing committee will select those that it considers most relevant to the theme of the event, as well as to ensure sufficient presentation and discussion time during the work days. After the Workshop, the committee will select a number of papers to integrate a compilation to be published the following year.

### **Important Dates:**

- May 31: Submission of abstracts.
- June 7: Notification of acceptance.
- October 21: Submission of complete papers.
- November 14 and 15: Development of the Workshop.
- Languages of the Event: Spanish, Portuguese, English.

### **Guide for the Presentation of Abstracts and Papers:**

Please send your abstracts to the following email address: [workshopinternacional2024@gmail.com](mailto:workshopinternacional2024@gmail.com)

The abstract should have a length of 250 to 500 words, 3 to 5 keywords, and must include the names, institutional affiliations, and email addresses of the presenters. Each paper may have up to two authors. Once accepted, papers will have a maximum length of 20 pages (not including abstracts or bibliographical references).

**Formal Aspects:** Times New Roman font, 12pt., 1.5pt spacing, A4 size sheet, 2.5cm margins.